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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: BERMUDA AGREEMENT RENEGOTIATION

1. IN FINANCE TIMES ARTICLE APR. 27 HEADED "CONCORDE LINKED TO BERMUDA TREATY" REPORTED SEPTTEL, FT'S US EDITOR NOTES US AND UK MIGHT AGREE TO EXTEND CURRENT BERMUDA CIVAIR AGREEMENT BEYOND JUNE 22 DEADLINE IF, FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REASONS. THE US FOUND ITSELF UNABLE TO IMPLEMENT A RULING ALLOWING CONCORDE TO CONTINUE TO USE DULLES AFTER COMPLETION OF PRESENT TRIAL IN TIME FOR JUNE 22 DATE.

2. ARTICLE ALSO NOTES UK RENEGOTIATION DELEGATION HAS BEEN DETERMINEDLY POINTING OUT TO US THE CONSEQUENCES OF BANNING CONCORDE WOULD BE TO SACRIFICE ADVANTAGES US CARRIERS ARE BOUND TO CONTINUE TO ENJOY UNDER ANY NEW BERMUDA AGREEMENT.

3. IN REPORTING ON RENEGOTIATION, FT REPORT STATES BOTH SIDES ACKNOWLEDGE MANY THORNY, BUT NOT NECESSARILY INTRACTABLE PROBLEMS REMAIN TO BE RESOLVED. GENERAL AGREEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED ON A NUMBER OF LESSER ITEMS AND CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS MADE ON SOME KEY ONES INCLUDING DOUBLE DESIGNATION ON NEW YORK/LONDON ROUTE. ALSO, BRITISH HAVE
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DROPPED EARLIER INSISTENCE THAT UK CARRIERS SHOULD HAVE 50 PERCENT OF NEW YORK TRAFFIC.

4. MAJOR CRITICAL MATTERS YET TO BE RESOLVED ACCORDING TO REPORT INCLUDE ROLE OF LAKER SKYTRAIN, LOS ANGELES ROUTES AND UK INSISTENCE THAT AS MUCH AS 25 PERCENT OF NEW YORK/LONDON TRAFFIC BE DIVERTED TO GATWICK. ALSO

CAPACITY CONTROL, FIFTH FREEDOM, HONG KONG AND CARIBBEAN
SERVICES STILL TO BE RESOLVED.

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